

ABSTRACT

A disk drive motor is provided comprising a stationary assembly supported from a base, a rotating assembly supported by the stationary assembly, a fluid dynamic bearing positioned in a gap between the rotating assembly and the stationary assembly, a seal reservoir defined between the stationary assembly and the rotating assembly, at least one fluid re-circulation path extending through the stationary assembly and ending in the seal reservoir, and a pressure-regulating obstruction located in the re-circulation path.